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Mr. Durant Graves Naval Support Activity, Washington 1411 Parsons Avenue SE, Suite 303 Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5003 JUL 2 6 2016

Re:

Docket Number 03-2016-004-NN, Notice of Noncompliance

US Naval Observatory PWS ID No DC0000005

Dear Mr. Graves:

This Notice of Noncompliance and Request for Information is being issued pursuant to Section 1414(a) and Section 1445(a) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 300g-3(a) and § 300j-4(a). According to our records, the Washington Navy Yard public water system (WNY PWS), owned and operated by the United States Navy, has violated certain provisions of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 300f-300j-26, and the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWR) found at 40 CFR Part 141.

Notice of Noncompliance

On July 24, 2015, the WNY PWS was sent a Notice of Noncompliance (Docket Number 03-2015-007-NN) for late reporting of total coliform and chlorine residual samples. Those violations triggered a requirement under 40 CFR §141.204 to complete public notice within 365 days of the initial violations. On April 28, 2016, EPA sent a message reminding Navy staff that public notice was due no later than May 25, 2016, for the above mentioned violations. EPA received a copy of the public notice indicating that it was distributed on May 31, 2016. Therefore, the WNY PWS violated 40 CFR §141.204 for failing to complete public notice within 365 days.

No further action is required to resolve this violation. EPA encourages the Navy to issue public notice as soon as practical after learning of a violation. If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Lisa Donahue at 215-814-2062 or donahue.lisa@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Karen D. Johnson, Chief

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Ground Water and Enforcement Branch

Cc: Dane Bowker, NAVFAC (electronic copy)